

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	Atty. Docket
MICHEL P.B. VAN BRUGGEN et al.	NL 020663
Serial No. 10/520,311	Group Art Unit: 2183 Conf. No.: 2504
Filed: January 5, 2005	Examiner: Vijayakumar, Kallambella M.

Title: Transparent Polycrystalline Aluminium Oxide

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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(a)

Sir:

This is a Petition under 37 CFR §1.48(a) to add inventors Andreas Krell and Thomas Hutzler to the above identified patent application.

A Declaration signed by all the inventors, Statements of Facts, authorization to charge the Petition fee, and the written consent of the assignees (Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der angewandten Forschung e.V. and Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.) are submitted herewith.

Appl. No. 10/923,278  
Petition dated June 7, 2005  
Addition of inventor under 37 CFR §1.48(a)

Please charge the fee for this petition under 37 CFR  
§1.17(i) to deposit account 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

By Frank J. Keegan  
Frank J. Keegan,  
Reg. No. 50,145  
Attorney  
January 17, 2007  
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: "**Transparent Polycrystalline Aluminium Oxide**" the specification of which (check only one item below):

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed as United States application

Serial No 10/520,311

on 05 January 2005

and was amended

on 05 January 2005

☒ was filed as PCT international application

Number PCT/IB2003/02874

On 25 June 2003

and was amended under PCT Article 19

on (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING DAY, MONTH, YEAR	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
<b>Europe</b>	<b>02077783.5</b>	<b>10 July 2002</b>	<b>YES</b>

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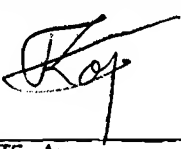
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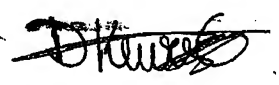
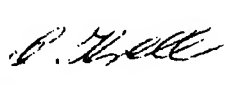
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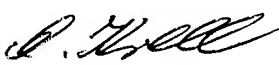
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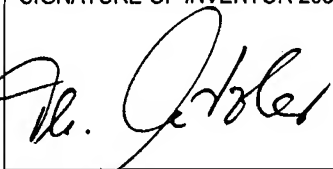
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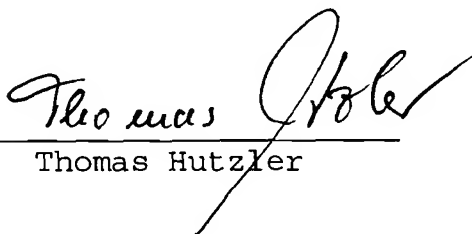
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STATEMENT OF FACTS UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(a)(2)

Sir:

I, Thomas Hutzler, hereby state that I was omitted from being listed as an inventor in error and that the error occurred without deceptive intention on my part.

  
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Thomas Hutzler

Aug. 22, 2006  
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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(a)(5)

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Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der angewandten  
Forschung e.V. hereby consents to the correction of  
inventorship by addition of Andreas Krell and Thomas  
Hutzler.

A 37 CFR 3.73(b) certification is attached herewith.



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Authorized Representative

Date: 28/09/06

**Dr. Helmut Schubert**  
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der angewandten Forschung e.V.Application No./Patent No./Control No.: 10/520,311 Filed/Issue Date: January 5, 2005Entitled: Transparent Polycrystalline Aluminium OxideFraunhofer-Gesellschaft (full name as shown above), a corporation

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Title **der angewandten Forschung e.V.**

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### ASSIGNMENT

The undersigned, Andreas KRELL of Altkaitz 7, 01217 Dresden, Federal Republic of Germany; Thomas HUTZLER of Burgstrasse 19, 01159 Dresden, Federal Republic of Germany, hereby declare that they are applicants of U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/520,311 which is a 371 of international application No. PCT/IB03/02874, filed with the IB of WIPO on the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2003 and entitled: "Transparent polycrystalline aluminium oxide" and they further declare that they assign herewith their rights to this invention, as far as the United States of America are concerned, to: **FRAUNHOFER-GESELLSCHAFT ZUR FÖRDERUNG DER ANGEWANDTEN FORSCHUNG e.V.** of Hansastrasse 27c, 80686 Munich, Federal Republic of Germany.

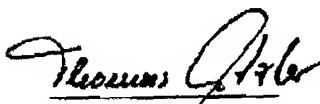
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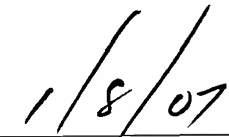
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